

TREATY BETWEEN AND GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, WITH ANNEX

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of The Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Estonia Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment, with Annex, done at Washington on April 19, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 103-38).

THE TREATY BETWEEN AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND MONGOLIA CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, WITH ANNEX AND PROTOCOL

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of The Treaty Between the United States of America and Mongolia Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment, with Annex and Protocol, signed at Washington on October 6, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 104-10).

THE TREATY BETWEEN AND GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, WITH ANNEX AND PROTOCOL

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of The Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Latvia Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment, with Annex and Protocol, signed at Washington on January 13, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 104-12).

THE TREATY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, WITH ANNEX

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of The Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Georgia Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment, with Annex, signed at Washington on March 7, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 104-13).

THE TREATY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, WITH ANNEX AND PROTOCOL

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of The Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment, with Annex and Protocol, signed at Washington on September 26, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 104-14).

THE TREATY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA CONCERNING THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND RECIPROCAL PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT, WITH ANNEX AND PROTOCOL

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise

and consent to the ratification of The Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Albania Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment, with Annex and Protocol, signed at Washington on January 11, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 104-19).

AGREEMENT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION OF THE LAW OF THE SEA OF 10 DECEMBER 1982 RELATING TO FISH STOCKS

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of The Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, with Annexes ("The Agreement"), which was adopted at United Nations Headquarters in New York by Consensus of the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks on August 4, 1995, and signed by the United States on December 4, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 104-24), subject to the following declaration:

It is the Sense of the Senate that "no reservations" provisions as contained in Article 42 have the effect of inhibiting the Senate from exercising its constitutional duty to give advice and consent to a treaty, and the Senate's approval of this treaty should not be construed as a precedent for acquiescence to future treaties containing such a provision.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume legislative session.

AMENDING THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961

Mr. McCAIN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 467, H.R. 3121.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3121) to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and for other purposes.

Mr. McCAIN. I ask unanimous consent the committee amendments be agreed to, the bill be deemed read a third time, passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the bill be placed at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 3121) was deemed read three times and passed.

CONDEMNING TERROR ATTACKS IN SAUDI ARABIA

Mr. McCAIN. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of a Senate resolution submitted earlier today by Senators HELMS and PELL.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 273) condemning terrorist attacks in Saudi Arabia.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. DASCHLE. Madam President, two days ago a truck bomb exploded near a U.S. military housing complex outside of Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Nineteen Americans were killed and 64 were seriously injured in a devastating blast that left a crater some 35 feet deep and over 80 feet across.

I want to express my deepest sympathies to those who lost loved ones in the attack and my best wishes for a quick and complete recovery to those who were injured. I know I speak for the entire Senate when I say that all of you are in our thoughts and prayers.

The truck bombing in Dhahran underscores the fact that U.S. servicemembers often perform their missions at great personal risk. Like those U.S. servicemembers who lost their lives in the Persian Gulf war and the 241 Marines who were killed in a suicide bombing in Lebanon in 1983, the members of the Air Force's 4404th Air Wing sacrificed their lives to protect our vital national interests. We should pause for a moment to reflect on the commitment, dedication, and sacrifice of all the men and women who have served—and those who continue to serve—in our nation's military.

The Air Force's 4404th Air Wing has done a remarkable job in keeping Iraq in check and enforcing the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq. Air Force personnel—in conjunction with United States Army troops and military personnel from Britain, France and Saudi Arabia—have played an important role in preventing war from returning to the Persian Gulf.

Unfortunately, some terrorists object to our presence in Saudi Arabia and our commitment to protect vital United States interests in the Persian Gulf. In November of last year, a car bomb destroyed a building in Riyadh, killing five Americans and two Indians. Those responsible for that earlier bombing were apprehended and recently punished.

As the intense investigation continues into the truck bombing, we may learn that the terrorist attack in Dhahran occurred in retaliation for those executions and continued United States presence in Saudi Arabia. The identities of the terrorists are still unknown, and the motives for the attack are still unclear. It is certain, however, that the attack will not deter the United States from maintaining our alliance with Saudi Arabia, our commitment to contain Iraq's aggression, or our effort to preserve the peace in this troubled region.

It should be equally clear that those who carried out the attack in Dhahran must be arrested, charged and punished